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## Abstract of the Disclosure

Please replace the abstract as follows:

It is an object to provide, in a data storage circuit for storing data, provide a power saving data storage circuit and a data writing method in the data storage circuit, and, further, to provide a data storage device.

10 Thus, in the present invention, reading out
existing data stored in a storage element M is performed
prior to performing writing of new data to the storage
element M to compare the existing data and the new data.
The data storage circuit is configured so that in a case
15 where the existing data and the new data are identical
with each other, writing to the storage element M is not
performed, and, in a case where the existing data and the
new data are not identical with each other, writing of
the new data to the storage element M is performed. The
20 data storage circuit is formed on a semiconductor
substrate to have a data storage device.

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